



Howard Park Tennis Club Ball Machine Rules of Use

The ball machine is for the convenience and use of all Howard Park Tennis Club members. Please note that the following rules apply to the use of the machine:

Eligible Users

- Only Howard Park members in good standing are eligible to use the ball machine.
- Must be 18 years of age or older to operate the machine.
- Members who are under the age of 18 must be supervised by an accompanying member adult, or Howard Park Tennis Club tennis professional, at all times.

Terms of Use

- Eligible users may use the machine on a complimentary basis.
- The user must sign an acknowledgement of the Rules of Use and a liability waiver to the Club.
- A user must complete a tutorial on the use of the ball machine with the Court Manager prior to using the machine.
- The ball machine may be used only on Court 3, where a divider net is in place to minimize disruption of regular court use.
- The ball machine may be used only during the following hours:
 - **During Spring and Fall Operating Schedule**
Opening Day to before Victoria Day long weekend and after Labour Day long weekend to club closing
4 to 6 p.m. / 9 to 11 p.m. Monday to Friday; 3 to 11 p.m. on weekends
 - **During Summer Operating Schedule**
Monday after Victoria Day long weekend to end of Labour Day weekend
11 a.m. to 4 p.m. / 9 to 11 p.m. Monday to Friday; 3 to 11 p.m. on weekends
- A reservation to use the ball machine must be made 24 hours in advance of the desired time, on a first come, first served basis, through the Court Managers at: info@howardparktennis.com. Should Court 3 be available within the 24 hour-period, including walk-ups, the member may make a reservation with the Court Manager on duty.
Note: Waiting Members wishing to reserve Court 3 for singles play have priority over walk-up members wishing to reserve the court for ball machine use.
- Only the Court Manager is authorized to set up the ball machine and return it to the clubhouse.
- Use of the ball machine must stop 10 minutes prior to the end of the session to allow sufficient time to clear the court of all tennis balls by the user. The court must be clear and ready to be turned over to the next court booking at the court switch-over time.
- All regular court booking policies remain in effect, including the policy that a player cannot double-book court time and must rest in between sessions.
- The user is responsible for ensuring the machine is used appropriately and operated in a safe manner.
- The member must remain on the court with the machine at all times.
- Do not put wet tennis balls into the ball machine.
- The member is responsible for the return of the ball machine remote control. If the remote control unit is lost, broken or damaged, the member is responsible for a replacement fee of \$120. Failure to pay this fee may result in suspension of court booking privileges or suspension/cancellation of membership.
- The Board reserves the right to modify these terms of use as needed in order to ensure a safe and enjoyable atmosphere for all members.

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